

On motion of Mr. Weatherford the Senate adjourned till 10 o'clock, A. M.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2d, 1856.

The Senate was called to order, by the President. Prayer by the Chaplain—roll called—quorum present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Quinn offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be authorized to employ some person to assist the Enrolling Clerk, provided his pay does not exceed five dollars per day—adopted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The resolution, offered by Mr. Taylor of Cass, proposing the adjournment of the Legislature on the 4th Inst. sine die, was taken up.

Mr. Whitaker moved to amend by striking out "4th of Feb'y" and insert "5th of March."

Mr. Scott offered the following as a substitute for the resolution :

Resolved, By the Senate, the House concurring, that the adjourned session of the Legislature to commence on the first Monday in July next, shall not continue longer than forty days.

On motion of Mr. Flanagan, the resolution and substitute were laid on the table by the following vote :

YEAS.—Messrs. Allen, Armstrong, Caldwell, Flanagan, Grimes, Gunn, Lott, McCulloch, Maverick, Millican, Palmer, Pirkey, Russell, Scarborough, Scott, Superviele, Tuit, and White,—18.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bryan, Burroughs, Hill, McDade, Martin-Pedigo, Potter, Taylor of Cass, Taylor of Houston, Weatherford, and Whitaker,—11.

Mr. Russell offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Hon. Johnson Wren, and H. C. Pedigo, be allowed their per diem pay from the convening of the Legislature as though they had taken their seats on the first day of the session—adopted.

Mr. Hill presented the petition of James Losly ; referred to the committee on private land claims No. 2.

A message was received from the Governor, transmitting the following communication.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

AUSTIN, FEBRUARY 1st, 1856.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,**and House of Representatives:*

I return herewith to the Senate, in which it originated, ~~the~~ Act to create the county of Cibolo.

I am informed by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, who has examined this act, that the boundaries of the proposed county of Cibolo, include only about six hundred and twenty-seven square miles.

The 34th Section of the 7th Article of our State Constitution, declares explicitly that no new county shall be laid off of less dimensions, than nine hundred square miles.

This is a wise provision and was intended without doubt, to prevent the creation of small counties, without sufficient population and resources to insure the proper execution of the criminal laws of the State, within their limits.

Having evidence before me, which is conclusive to my mind, that the proposed county contains an area, less by two hundred and seventy-three square miles, than what the constitution requires for the formation of a county, I cannot give my assent to this act.

E. M. PEASE.

Mr Potter moved that the bill be passed, the objections of the Governor notwithstanding.

On motion of Mr Palmer, a call of the Senate was ordered.

On motion of Mr White, a bill for the relief of Basil Durbin was taken up and read first time.

On motion of Taylor of Cass, the rule was suspended, bill read 2d time and passed to a 3d reading.

On motion of Mr Taylor of Cass, the rule was further suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

On motion of Mr Doane, a bill supplemental to an act for the relief of James W. McGoffin and Hugh Stevenson, was taken up, read and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr Hill, the rule was suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

On motion of Mr Doane, a bill for the relief of Simeon Hart was taken up, read and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr Potter, the rule was suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

On motion of Mr Taylor of Cass, a bill to incorporate the Linden Academy was taken up and read first time.

On motion of Mr Taylor of Cass, the rule was suspended, bill read 2d time and passed to a 3d reading.

On motion of Mr Taylor of Cass, the rule was further suspended, bill read 3d time and passed by the following vote :

YEAS.—Messrs. Armstrong, Bryan, Caldwell, Doane, Flanagan, Grimes, Guinn, McDade, Martin, Maverick, Palmer, Pedigo, Pirkey, Russell, Scott, Superviele, Taylor of Cass, Taylor of Houston, Truit, Weatherford, Whitaker, and White,—22.

NAYS.—Messrs. Burroughs, and Millican,—2.

On motion of Mr Pedigo, a bill for the relief of certain persons therein named, was taken up and read first time.

Mr Pedigo moved the suspension of the rule—lost.

On motion of Mr Caldwell, the call of the House was suspended.

The question then recurred on the passage of the bill to create the county of Cibolo, notwithstanding the objection of the Governor. The Senate refused to pass the bill by the following vote :

YEAS.—Messrs. Burroughs, Caldwell, Doane, Flanagan, McCulloch, Maverick, Millican, Potter, Scott, Superviele, Weatherford, and White,—12.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bryan, Grimes, Guinn, McDade, Martin, Palmer, Pirkey, Russell, Taylor of Houston, Truit, and Whitaker,—11.

On motion of Mr Potter, a bill to fix the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme and District courts, was taken up, read 3d time and passed by the following vote :

YEAS.—Messrs. Armstrong, Doane, McCulloch, McDade, Martin, Maverick, Palmer, Pedigo, Potter, Scott, Superviele, and White,—13.

NAYS.—Messrs. Burroughs, Caldwell, Flanagan, Grimes, Guinn, Millican, Pirkey, Taylor of Houston, Truit, Weatherford, and Whitaker,—11.

A bill to authorize the Commissioner of the General Land Office to employ assistant draftsman, and Clerks and to fix the salaries of the same.

Read 2d time, and on motion of Mr Whitaker, laid on the table.

Mr Taylor of Cass, moved to reconsider the vote just taken ; lost.

A bill supplementary to an act to incorporate the San Antonio and Mexican Gulf Rail Road, approved Sept. 5th 1850, and the supplements thereto read third time and passed by the following vote :

YEAS.—Messrs. Allen, Armstrong, Bryan, Caldwell, Doane, Guinn, McDade, Martin, Maverick, Millican, Palmer, Potter, Scott, Superviele, Taylor of Cass, Taylor of Houston, Truit, Weatherford, Whitaker,—20.

NAYS.—Messrs. Burroughs, Grimes, and McCulloch,—3.

A bill providing a remedy for persons wishing to change their name, christian and sir-name, or either, and adopt another; read 3d time and passed.

Mr Millican moved to reconsider the vote passing the bill providing a remedy for persons wishing to change their christian or sir-name, or either and adopt another.

Mr ——— moved to lay the motion on the table—lost.

The Senate then refused to reconsider the vote.

A bill to incorporate the town of Tyler in the county of Smith; read first time.

On motion of Mr Guinn the rule was suspended, bill read 2d time and passed to a 3d reading.

On motion of Mr Guinn the rule was further suspended, bill read third time and passed.

Mr Martin moved to reconsider the vote which rejected the bill to create the county of Cibolo; carried and vote reconsidered.

Mr Potter moved to lay the communication and the bill on the table—carried.

Mr Guinn chairman of the committee on Engrossed bills reported,

A bill supplementary to an act for the relief of James W. McGoffin and Hugh Stephenson, approved Jan'y 21st 1854.

A bill for the relief of Simeon Hart, correctly engrossed.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of George Wagner dec'd—read first time.

On motion of Mr Burroughs, the rule was suspended, bill read 2d time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr Burroughs the rule was further suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

On motion of Mr Flanagan the Senate adjourned till 3 o'clock p. m.

3 O'CLOCK P. M.

Senate met—roll called—quorum present.

Mr H'l chairman of the committee on claims and accounts, made the following reports:

The committee on claims and accounts, to which was referred the petition of Willard Richardson, have maturely considered the same and find that said Richardson, claims pay for surveying the county of Refugio in the year 1840 and 41, under and by the authority of an act of the Congress of the late Republic of Texas requiring the several county surveyors to furnish a correct map of their respective counties. In order to make such a map of Refugio county, it was necessary to meander the coast from the

mouth of the Gaudalupe to the mouth of the Nueces river, and also to meander said river, and in all respects according to the Colonization grant from the government of Mexico to Power and Hurston. The work was done under the specific instruction of the Commissioners of the Land Office, J. P. Borden and fully recognized by his successor Thomas Wm. Ward. This survey has been recognized as correct by all the departments of the government of the Republic and State of Texas, and especially by the Supreme court. Mr Richardson has never received any compensation for said work, and the committee therefore instruct me to report the accompanying bill, recommending its passage.

A bill for the relief of Willard Richardson; read 1st time.

The committee on claims and accounts, have considered the claim of the heirs of Wilson J. Riddle for goods sent with the Santa Fe expedition in 1841 and have instructed me to report, that from the evidence before us, it seems that by acts of former Legislatures some of the parties that sent goods with the expedition have been paid for the goods sent, viz: Howard, Ogden and Jacques, and that the claims of Gallagher and Fitzgerald, have been audited as 3d class claims, but no appropriation has been made for their payment by the Legislature; it also appears from the affidavits of respectable persons, that the goods sent by Mr Riddle amounted to the sum claimed by his heirs, and Gen. Hugh McCleod stated to the committee that the government induced the citizens to send goods with the expedition in order, 1st to open a trade with Santa Fe, and 2d to have the use of the goods or their proceeds for the support of the expedition, if the same should be needed for that purpose; that he has every reason to believe that the goods sent by Mr Riddle amounted to the sum claimed for them, and that all the goods sent by the citizens were sent upon the same conditions. They therefore recommend the passage of the bill for the amount claimed, without interest, and hence, strike out all in the bill which proposes to allow interest on the original sum.

On motion of Mr Allen, a bill for the relief of certain persons therein named, was taken up and read 2d time and passed to a 3d reading.

Mr Allen moved the further suspension of the rule—lost.

On motion of Mr McCulloch, a bill authorizing the trustees of the several school districts of Comal county to levy and collect a special tax for school purposes, was taken up and read 1st time.

On motion of Mr McCulloch the rule was suspended, bill read 2nd time and passed to a 3rd reading.

On motion of Mr McCulloch the rule was further suspended; bill read 3rd time and passed.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that the House had passed the following bills, originating in the Senate, viz:

A bill to provide for the purchase of a supply of the Texas Digest for the use of the State.

A bill relinquishing to the counties the State tax for the years 1856 and 1857.

A bill to incorporate the Terraqueous Transportation Company.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Charles S. Hardwick.

A bill to legalize the official acts of J. P. Dumas, as district surveyor of Grayson county.

And a bill making appropriations for the use and support of the State Government, for the years 1856 and 1857, with amendments.

Also, originating in the House:

A joint resolution, endorsing the action of Gen. W. L. Gazeau, U. S. commissioner to Saint Domingo.

A bill more particularly defining the powers of Deputy Clerks.

Also, a bill, (originating in the Senate,) to detect and prevent fraudulent certificates of public debt, and provide for the collections of certain money due by the United States.

Mr Hill, chairman of the committee on claims and accounts, to which was referred the petition of Capt. D. M. Fulton, reported the accompanying bill for his relief, recommending its passage.

A bill for the relief of D. M. Fulton; read 1st time.

A bill to incorporate the town of Moscow, and define the powers and jurisdiction of said corporation; read 1st time.

On motion of Mr Guinn, the rule was suspended; bill read 2nd time and passed to a 3rd reading.

On motion of Mr Pedigo, the rule was further suspended; bill read 3rd time and passed.

A bill more particularly declaring the powers of Deputy Clerks, read 1st time.

On motion of Mr Martin, the rule was suspended; bill read 2nd time and passed to a 3rd reading.

On motion of Mr Martin the rule was further suspended; bill read 3rd time and passed.

Mr Guinn offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Senate will meet at 7 o'clock on Monday morning, and adjourn at 10, A. M., of same day, to meet again on the 1st Monday in July next.

Laid on the table on motion of Mr Martin.

On motion of Mr Grimes, a bill to change the names of Caroline Boyd and Lucy Ann Boyd, and to authorize Chas. B. Stewart to adopt them, was taken up and read 1st time.

On motion of Mr Grimes, the rule was suspended; bill read 2nd time and passed to a 3rd reading.

On motion of Mr Grimes, the rule was further suspended; bill read 3rd time and passed.

Mr Doane moved to take from the table, a motion to reconsider the vote, rejecting a bill to muster into service minute men for the protection of the Frontier settlements—lost.

A joint resolution, in reference to the intercourse laws of the United States in reference to the sale of spirituous liquors among Indians; read 1st time.

On motion of Mr Hord, the rule was suspended, and bill read 2nd time.

Mr Hord moved to amend, by striking out the enacting clause, and inserting, "Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas—carried."

The bill was then passed to a 3rd reading.

On motion of Mr Grimes, the rule was further suspended; bill read 3rd time and passed.

A bill to incorporate Amberter Lodge, No. 42, of the I. O. O. F.; read 1st time.

On motion of Mr Taylor of Houston, the rule was suspended; bill read 2nd time and passed to a 3rd reading.

On motion of Mr Taylor of Houston, the rule was further suspended; bill read 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs Burroughs, Doane, Flanagan, Grimes, Guinn, McCulloch, Martin, Maverick, Millican, Palmer, Pedigo, Pirkey, Russell, Scott, Superviele, Taylor of Cass, Taylor of Houston, Truit, Whitaker and White—20.

NAYS—Messrs Weatherford and Wren—2.

A bill for the relief of Wm. M. Shepherd: read 1st time.

On motion of Mr Taylor of Cass, the rule was suspended; bill read 2nd time and passed to a 3rd reading.

On motion of Mr Taylor of Cass, the rule was further suspended; bill read 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs Allen, Armstrong, Caldwell, Doane, Flanagan, Grimes, Hill, McCulloch, Martin, Maverick, Palmer, Scott, Superviele, Taylor of Cass, Taylor of Fannin, Taylor of Houston, Truit, Whitaker, White and Wren—20.

NAYS—Messrs Burroughs, Guinn, Millican, Pirkey, Russell and Weatherford—6.

The Senate refused to concur in the following amendments of the House, to a bill making appropriations for the use and support of the State Government, for the years 1856 and 1857; viz:

To the appropriation of \$5,000, for apprehending and delivery of slaves within the State.

To amount due Superintendent and Commissioners of the State Capitol, under the direction of the Governor, Comptroller, and Treasurer, \$3,600.

To amount due Ernest Raven for taking care of the Capitol, \$57 75.

For salary of Auditor, annually, \$1,500.

For contingent expenses of Auditor's office, annually, and for amount advanced by G. B. Lamar, advanced to Santa Fe prisoners; and concurred in all the other amendments of the House.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate, that the House had receded from its amendments to the appropriation bill, in which the Senate refused to concur.

On motion of Mr Grimes, a bill to incorporate the town of Bellville, was taken up and read 1st time.

On motion of Mr Hill, the rule was suspended; the bill read 2nd time and passed to a 3rd reading.

On motion of Mr Hill, the rule was further suspended; bill read 3rd time and passed.

On motion of Mr Allen, a bill for the relief of certain persons therein named, was taken up; read 3rd time and passed.

A bill to extend the time for procuring unconditional head-right certificates, where conditional certificates have heretofore been issued; read 1st time.

Mr Russell moved to adjourn till Monday morning at 7 o'clock—lost.

On motion of Mr Martin the Senate adjourned till 7 o'clock, P. M.

7 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Senate met—roll called—quorum present.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate of the passage of the following bills, originating in the House:

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the town of Columbus, approved Feb. 8th, 1854.

A bill to validate the election of the corporate officers of the town of Castroville, for the year 1853.

And a bill for the relief of the heirs of Harvey Sanderson.

Also, a bill, (originating in the Senate,) supplemental to an

act to incorporate the Memphis, El Paso and Pacific Railroad, Company, passed by the sixth Legislature, with amendments, and that the House had appointed a committee, consisting of Messrs. Adrian, Dickson and Reeves, to wait upon the Governor, and inform him that the Legislature will adjourn next Monday until the first Monday in July next, and requesting the appointment of a like committee on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr Allen, the Senate concurred in the amendments of the House, to the bill supplemental to an act to incorporate the Memphis, El Paso and Pacific Railroad Company, passed by the sixth Legislature by a unanimous vote.

On motion of Mr Taylor of Cass, a bill for the relief of the heirs of Harvey Sanderson, was taken up and read 1st time.

On motion of Mr Taylor of Cass, the rule was suspended: bill read 2nd time and passed to a 3rd reading.

On motion of Mr Lott, the rule was further suspended by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs Armstrong, Bryan, Caldwell, Doane, Flanagan, Grimes, Hord, Lott, McCulloch, Maverick, Palmer, Pedigo, Pirkey, Taylor of Cass, Taylor of Houston, Truit, Weatherford, Whitaker, White and Wren—20.

NAYS—Messrs Burroughs, Guinn, Hill, McDade and Milligan—5.

Mr Grimes moved to lay the bill on the table—lost.

On motion of Mr McCulloch, a bill supplemental to an act relating to the Indians of Texas, approved 6th of Feb. 1854—read first time.

On motion of Mr McCulloch, the rule was suspended, bill read 2d time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr Palmer the rule was further suspended, bill read third time and passed.

On motion of Mr Truit, a bill for the relief of Bailey Lout was taken up, read 2d time and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr Palmer the rule was suspended, bill read third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Truit, "A Bill for the relief of the heirs of Wm. F. Stephenson" was taken up read 2d time and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Truit the rule was suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Hill, "A Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the town of Columbus"—was taken up and read 1st time.

On motion of Mr. Hill the rule was suspended, bill read 2d time and passed to a 3d reading.

On motion of Mr. Hill the rule was further suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford, "A bill for the relief of Thos. H. Mays" was taken up and read 1st time.

On motion of Mr. Potter the rule was suspended, bill read 2d time and passed to a 3d reading.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford, the rule was further suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

A message was received from the House informing the Senate that the House had passed "A bill for the relief of Mrs. Mary Williams, and her children." A bill for the relief of G. B. Lamar" originating in the house--also a "bill for the relief of S. A. White," originating in the Senate.

Mr. Potter offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate are hereby tendered to the Hon. H. R. Runnels, President of the Senate, for his gentlemanly demeanor towards the members of the Senate, and for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over its deliberations; adopted unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Potter, a bill for the relief of G. B. Lamar, was taken up and read first time.

On motion of Mr. Hill, the rule was suspended, bill read second time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Potter, the rule was further suspended, bill read third time and passed.

Mr. Wren offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be required to procure the necessary copies of the code of laws as soon as they are printed, and send them by mail to each member of the Senate to their respective Post Office.

Mr. Potter moved to strike out "code of laws," and insert "revised states"—carried.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Palmer offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be required to make out and have printed, a list of all the bills which are pending and which were passed into laws during the present session, and send a copy of the same to each member of the Senate.

Mr. Martin offered as a substitute:

Be it Resolved, That the Public Printer be and he is hereby required to publish by caption each and every law that may be passed by the present Legislature—rejected.

The resolution was then adopted.

A bill for the relief of Thos H Mays—read first time.

On motion of Mr Hill the rule was suspended, bill read second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr Hill, the rule was further suspended, bill read third time and passed.

A message was received from the House informing the Senate that the House had passed a bill for the relief of Simeon Hart, originating in the Senate—also a bill to amend the caption and the 1st and 16th sections of an act to incorporate the Texas Western Rail Road company, approved 16th February, 1852, with amendments.

On motion of Mr Scott, the Senate concurred in the amendments of the bill just reported, by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs Allen, Bryan, Burroughs, Caldwell, Doane, Flanagan, Grimes, Guinn, Hill, Lott, McCulloch, McDade, Maverick, Millican, Palmer, Pirkey, Potter, Scott, Taylor, of Houston, Truit, Weatherford and Whitaker—22.

NAYS—Messrs Hord, Martin and Taylor, of Cass—3.

Mr Hord moved to take from the table a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting A bill to provide for mustering into service minute men for the protection of the Western frontier.

A bill supplementary to an act to incorporate the Lavaca Navigation Company; read second time.

On motion of Mr Hill, the bill was laid on the table.

A joint resolution instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives relative to the establishment of a new District Court of the United States for the territory west of the Pecos river; read second time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr Hill the rule was suspended, bill read third time and passed.

A message was received from the House informing the Senate of the passage of a bill originating in the House, for the relief of Reese S Price.

Mr Guinn, chairman of the committee on engrossed bills reported correctly engrossed,

A bill for the relief of the heirs of William F Stephenson.

A bill for the relief of Bailey Lott.

A bill to regulate Mustang chases west of the San Antonio river; read first time.

Mr Guinn moved a suspension of the rule—lost.

A bill for the relief of Reese D Price; read first time.

Mr Guinn moved a suspension of the rule—lost.

Mr Guinn moved to take up the bill to regulate Mustang chases west of the San Antonio river; carried—bill taken up, read second time and passed to a third time.

On motion of Mr Hill the rule was suspended; bill read third time and passed.

On motion of Mr Martin, a bill for the relief of Reese D Price was taken up, rule suspended, read second time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr Martin the rule was further suspended ; bill read third time and passed.

Mr McCulloch offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be authorized to take charge of the Senate Chamber, books, papers, &c., belonging to the same, and take care of them during the recess of the Senate, for which he shall receive the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars for his services until the Senate meets in July next, to be paid out of the fund for the contingent expenses of the Senate—this resolution is not to add anything to the salary of said officer, if the bill passes to constitute him the keeper of the Capitol, &c.

Mr Scott moved to amend by inserting after the word "Senate Chamber," the words "Committee rooms and furniture"—carried.

The resolution was then adopted.

On motion of Mr Grimes, a call of the Senate was ordered

Mr Allen, chairman of the committee on enrolled bills, made the following report :

The joint committee on enrolled bills have examined the following bills, viz :

A bill authorizing Archibald J. Leonard to erect a mill on, and construct a dam across the West Fork of Trinity river.

A bill for the relief of Fred W. Moore, assignee of A. H. Cook.

A bill to pay assessors and collectors of taxes for taking the number of the scholastic population of their respective counties for the years 1854 and 1855.

A bill to change the name of Julius Valentine Cook, to that of Richard Valentine Cook.

A bill to create the county of Live Oak, and attach it to the fourteenth judicial district.

A bill to provide for the erection and furnishing a fire proof building to be used as a General Land Office for the State of Texas.

A bill to incorporate the town of Lexington.

A bill to authorize the county court of Anderson county to transcribe into a bound book, to be procured by him for that purpose, all the records hereinafter named.

A bill to incorporate the town of Rusk, in Cherokee county.

A bill to incorporate the Texas Christian College.

A bill for the relief of William S. Kennard.

A bill to incorporate Franklin College.

A bill to provide a permanent and safe building for the use of the State department, the Executive, and the Attorney General of the State of Texas.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of George Wagner, deceased.

A bill to detect and prevent the payment of fraudulent certificates of public debt, and to provide for the collection of certain money due by the United States.

A bill supplemental to an act to incorporate the San Antonio and Mexican Gulf Rail Road, approved Sept. 5th, 1859, and the supplements.

A bill to create the county of Uvalde.

A bill to authorize John H. White, a minor, to take charge of his estate, and transact business as though he were twenty-one years of age.

A bill to fix the salaries of the supreme and district courts.

A bill to create Maverick county.

A bill authorizing the county courts of this State to grant licence for the retail of spirituous, vinous, and intoxicating liquors, in quantities less than a quart, and imposing a licence for such privilege.

A bill more particularly describing the powers of deputy clerks.

A bill for the relief of certain persons therein named, and find them correctly enrolled, properly signed, and this day submitted to the Governor.

On motion of Mr Grimes, the Senate adjourned till 7 o'clock Monday morning.

MONDAY, Feb. 4th, 1856.

The Senate was called to order by the President, pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called--quorum present.

The Journal of Saturday was read and adopted.

Mr. Allen Chairman of the committee on enrolled bills made the following report--

The joint committee on enrolled bills, have examined the following bills, viz:

A bill for the relief of Wm. M. Shepherd.

A bill for the relief Thos H. Mays.

A bill authorizing the trustees of the several school districts of Comal county to levy and collect a special tax for school purposes.